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THE WAR FROM JAPANESE POINT OF VIEW: JAPANESE SPIES IN THE HANDS OF KUROPATKIN.

Two Japanese officers, disguised as Shama priests, were captured by the Russians and brought before General Kuropatkin. On the prisoners was found dynamite, with which they intended to destroy the railway. They were brought before a court-martial and examined, but refused to give any information, and were summarily shot.

THE DEMOCRATS NOMINATE CURTIS IAUKEA

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lement at Laie also spoke, followed by Stephen Umauma of Honolulu.

A. A. Wilder then addressed the audience. He said in a few months the people would know whether the people of this Territory were to have a government of, for and by the people. The Governor of the Territory said one thing, and his actions showed he acted quite to the contrary, failing to give self-government to the people although promising it.

"Governor Carter centralizes everything in the government," he said, "and we are more centralized today than ever. It is just carrying out the proposition of the President—Roosevelt—who appointed him to office."

Mr. Wilder then proceeded to mildly roast his law partner, A. G. M. Robertson, Republican national committeeman, for describing the Democratic national convention as a noisy, turbulent gathering. He spoke again of the Governor as not being sincere in his statement that he wanted county government. On March 4, after Parker was elected, there would be wailing and gnashing of teeth among the Republican office-holders.

E. H. F. Wolters drew a dismal picture of the "poverty seen both on the land and sea, due to the Republican party."

KINNEY TAKES CHARGE.

W. A. Kinney then took the chair. He said that in the convention there was immense power for the welfare of the Territory. The future of the population was still in doubt. It was a homeless sort of population yet, even on the plantations from manager down to the humblest laborer, for in time every one intended to go somewhere else to live. He said every dollar of his was invested in plantations, but self-interest would compel every planter to grapple with the situation. The mass of the thinking element of the Territory knew that the question of the abiding occupants of the land must be settled and the Democratic party would have to play its part in the matter. He had no liking for Mark Hanna as he represented some of the worst elements of wealth, but the Democrats must not bring up class agitation. Many of his friends said the meeting was tame, but there was an earnestness back of it. All in all, he felt it was an honor to preside over such a convention.

Mr. Kinney said he had never before been a presiding officer and therefore hoped the convention would not tangle itself up.

DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM.

Chairman Kinney, as chairman of the committee on platform and resolutions, then presented the report of the committee, the original draft of which was written by John Emmeluth. The report was as follows:

"We, the Democratic Party of the Territory of Hawaii, in convention assembled, do reaffirm our allegiance to the Democracy of the mainland and to the fundamental principles upon which the Democratic party was founded, and which have been consistently emphasized by that party ever since; we pledge our hearty support to the platform of principles adopted by the St. Louis Convention and to the National standard bearers of the party in the coming campaign, Judge Alton B. Parker and Henry G. Davis.

"In dealing with Territorial matters we first and foremost enter our protest against the centralization of power in the Executive branch of the Territorial government and the means adopted to secure that end. The executive is an appointive one in this Territory and not responsible to the electorate and is already clothed with inordinate powers under the Organic Act.

"Not content with this, however, it seeks to own and control the Legislature, dominating the primaries with office holders and henchmen for that purpose. Though professing a desire for clean government it has, by the exaction of undated resignations from the heads of all Departments the refusing of government employment to the citizens and taxpayers of the Territory unless they sign a pledge of fealty to the Republican Party, the forced levies of assessments from office holders for political purposes, creating fear of dismissal from office for supposed disloyalty to the Executive and its henchmen, hunting down

and defeating Republican candidates for office whose independence might be a bar to the consummation of their ambitions, established a graft and machine methods never before attempted in the history of these Islands, all of which we maintain is calculated to undermine political independence and the right to open criticism so necessary to maintain honest government. We charge that the manifest desire and intention of the Executive Department of the Territorial government to dominate the Legislature is particularly unfortunate as it means before long the elimination of that body of intelligent, independent and fair minded legislators who have always been found in the legislative assemblies of these Islands in the past and who have done so much to preserve good government and the balance of power between the executive and legislative branches of the government.

"We declare against the method and means used by the Executive of the Territory recently to re-adjust its finances, and cut down its expenditures, for that such retrenchment was brought about by cutting down the salaries of employees beyond the living point, and by dismissing other employees to the detriment of the public service, whereas we believe and declare that the depleted condition of the Territorial Treasury would have been more justly met by taxation upon wealth; and in this connection we believe and declare that an increase in the rate of the income tax would have been more fair and courageous and more democratic than the method adopted. In connection with the retrenchment policy in question we particularly condemn the discrimination exercised against the non-voting employees of the government in the cutting of salaries.

"We denounce the policy of the Republican party in the National Congress whereby private Hawaiian legislation was submitted in committee and received attention in advance of pressing public matters, with the result that after the passage of private bills the remaining Hawaiian measures were absolutely neglected and refused further consideration during this session of Congress to the detriment and against the interests of the entire Territory.

"We declare the policy of the Republican party in this territory whereby large areas of land and valuable water rights are still being alienated from the public domain for the sole use and benefit of corporations or persons already possessed of large tracts of land and privileges, a positive menace to the upbuilding of an untrammeled electorate in these Islands and pledge our delegate to Congress to secure local application of the spirit of American land laws, preference being given the landless electorate in our Territory in any division of the public domain.

"We further pledge our delegate to Congress to constant vigilance over matters affecting the Territory, untiring effort to secure liberal appropriations for public improvements throughout the Territory, the withdrawal of House Resolution No. 1467 granting arbitrary power of removal to the Governor, the passage of a measure providing for the sale in fee on easy terms of lands in Punaloe and elsewhere in the Territory now principally occupied by citizen tenants, preference being given the actual occupants, and to careful dissemination of correct information among the members of Congress and in the Departments at Washington relative to local affairs.

"Having full faith in the ability of the people of this Territory to govern themselves, we denounce the Republican Party for its duplicity and breach of faith with the voters of this Territory in the miscarriage of that party's measure for County government passed by the last Legislature, and pledge our earnest effort to secure the passage and enactment of a County law providing for complete local self government.

"We deplore the present distressed financial condition of the Territory, brought about by the Republican element in part by withholding from circulation large sums of loan fund moneys that might heretofore have been made available had the departments used due diligence in prosecuting the several works comprised in loan fund appropriations, and in extravagant administration, resulting in the issuance of government warrants to employees and supply men, a preposterous course whereby the taxpayers are being duly mulcted in the amount of interest paid in unproductive loans on the one hand and the loss incidental to discounting warrants on the other and in this connection we favor the policy of making loan appropriations for productive works only and within these re-

strictions advocate a comprehensive system of public works throughout the Territory.

"We pledge our candidate to the Legislature to a revision of our Tax Laws, an adjustment of our other sources of revenue, including the Excise Laws, and providing for the substitution of a Toll Bill for wharf dues, thus doing away with the present conditions whereby the government pays exclusively for the expense of maintaining the harbor and private wharf owners reap the fees; an exact covering forced sales of property for taxes so as to provide for redemption of the same, and an appropriation bill so framed that the annual expenditures of the Territory shall not exceed its income, believing that any administration incapable of so limiting its expenditures is unworthy of the support of the people.

"We pledge our candidates for the Legislature to a renewal of the usual appropriations for Liliuokalani and our Delegate to Congress to the introduction and support of a measure looking to a permanent appropriation for the same purpose.

"We favor all reasonable measures looking to the amelioration of labor conditions among the citizens of this Territory and to the upbuilding of the citizen labor and eight hour laws, coupled with a minimum wage and an extension of this provision along reasonable lines to embrace labor required under valuable franchises or other special privileges granted by the Legislature of this Territory. We favor also dispensing with the employment of prisoners on work in competition with free citizens.

"We condemn the procrastinating policy pursued by the Territorial Executive in relation to securing control of the private fishing rights in this Territory and pledge our candidates to the Legislature to such a course as shall most promptly open these fishing rights to the general public.

"We favor the extension of the public school system, so as to embrace a comprehensive course of manual and agricultural training and an elementary course in civil government thus instilling into the youth of this Territory the principles of industry and good citizenship upon which the future welfare of this Territory so depends.

"We charge that the Republican majority in the last Legislature avoided its sworn duty by abstaining from a reapportionment of Territorial Senators and Representatives as required by Chapter 2, Section 55 of the Organic Act.

"We favor establishing under Federal control and at Federal expense appliances at the Leper Settlement in this Territory, the employment of scientists for the purpose of careful inquiry into the nature, cause and possible cure of the disease of leprosy and for the treatment of those afflicted with that disease and there detained.

"Relying implicitly upon the soundness and integrity of the principles above set forth, and upon the justice and intelligence of the masses, we present this platform to the people of the Territory and earnestly invoke the active support of all in its vindication and success, cordially inviting to a full and equal communion, all those of whatever political creed who recognize the justice of our cause in the doctrines we profess, and who desire to participate in their triumph.

"W. A. KINNEY,
"K. M. KOAHOU,
"S. W. ABR. KALEIHO-A,
"C. P. IAUKEA,
"J. C. BURGESS,
"H. J. MOSSMAN,
"JOHN EMMELUTH,
"PAIA NAKI,
"I. W. H. MOMOA."

ASHFORD'S HOT AIR.

Ashford moved the adoption of the platform, saying it was an able document, which must command the praise of all. When a document of that kind was brought before the convention, it showed what good results accrue from having the matter considered beforehand by a committee of the Central Committee. It could not be said that it punctured the "cussedness of the Republican party," because it would have to be extended and could not be finished before night. It only partially ridged the "holy administration." It showed there had been an administration only of pretences. It set forth that the Republican administration and legislature had been weighed and found wanting. Extreme injustice was being done the poor people, because of the methods pursued whereby the property of poor people were sold for taxes. This was the strongest indictment against the Republican party. A

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The report was adopted, but without applause or demonstration.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

The chair suggested that Col. McCarthy bring the matter of selection of members of the Central Committee.

The proposed personnel of the committee was as follows:

First and Second Districts (Hawaii)—S. P. Woods, S. H. K. Ne, S. D. Kanehailua, S. P. Kamakea, R. Makahailupa, J. L. Kawewehi, Chas. Ka, S. K. Haluapo, J. H. Kahonui, D. Ewaliko, E. B. Lee, S. W. A. Kulehioa, W. N. Kahakuihua, E. Thomas, T. N. Nalehioa, C. M. T. Blond.

Third District (Maui)—J. L. Coke, Sol. Hale, Chas. Dudoit, Jno. Richardson, W. R. Boote, F. H. Hayselden, T. B. Lyons, Paia Naki, Helemano, S. K. Kekooval, Adam Forsyth, J. W. Momoa.

Fourth District (Oahu)—C. P. Iaukea, E. H. F. Wolters, S. K. Kaloa, F. Turhill, W. A. Kinney, S. Nahala, Manase, Medeiros, E. M. Watson, Erving, Juen, Kahalepuna.

Fifth District (Oahu)—U. Jones, Ben Naukana, H. T. Mooney, F. R. Harvey, J. K. Prendergast, David Kahalehaha, F. J. Testa, Jno. Emmeluth, J. W. Biplane, E. L. Like, J. Naholowaa, R. H. Trent, H. T. Moore.

Sixth District (Kauai)—Sam David, Sam Keanu, R. P. Pauole, W. H. Pua-keo, C. K. Hane, S. W. Kamoa, S. Kalawe, Geo. Hugo.

DELEGATE TO CONGRESS.

The name of C. P. Iaukea was put in nomination for Delegate to Congress by the Fifth District, seconded by the Fourth District. Palmer Woods moved the nominations closed, but Coke arose for Maui to second the nomination. The nomination was made by a rising vote accompanied by a cheer, and was supposed to be unanimous.

Mr. Iaukea, in accepting the nomination, said:

Gentlemen of the Convention: In the exercise of our constitutional rights and privileges, the Democratic party of Hawaii, in convention assembled, has adopted a platform and made choice of a standard bearer. In accepting the nomination of Delegate to Congress, I do so fully realizing the responsibilities that the position imposes, and a deep sense of the honor conferred. I regard it as the highest political gift in the hands of the Democratic party to bestow. For my part I pledge you my honest and best efforts.

The unity and harmony of our party organization coupled with an honest effort on the part of the rank and file,

portends a successful campaign; not only in the cause of democracy, but to purify the political atmosphere laden with the breath of corruption resulting from continued and uninterrupted political sway and control—Democracy must triumph at the polls if the people of this Territory want to be saved the humiliation of being discriminated against by reason of political preferences. The work of intimidating the voter is apparent wherever one may turn; from those high in authority to the lowest menial in the employ of our Republican government.

Gentlemen of the Convention: Whatever may result from our present efforts, there is one thing that we can point to with pride. Democracy has sounded the death-knell of the Home Rule party, notwithstanding the secret connivances of the Republican party to instill into the Home Rule organization renewed life and political activity.

Speaking for myself, the business or any other interest need have no fear or apprehension, for it is my purpose, if elected, to consult these interests and use my best endeavors in promoting the common weal.

Gentlemen: When we leave this convention, let us go forth with a determination to win and ever after make of Hawaii a Democratic Territory.

A vote of thanks was then passed for the officers, both temporary and permanent, for their good work.

Chairman Kinney called the Central Committee to meet in Waverley Hall at 7 p. m.

Testa suggested that the Oahu District Committee meet on Wednesday night, and the date was thereupon adopted.

Mr. Emmeluth moved a vote of thanks to the outgoing Territorial Central Committee, which was passed.

The convention then adjourned sine die.

TESTA NOT IN IT.

Before the convention was convened yesterday morning it was known that Testa was not a factor in the temporary chairmanship. Had it come to a vote he would have been beaten out and he withdrew his name from consideration.

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